[Mr. S. Paramesvara Aiyar.]

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The answer is in the negative.

Mr. Van Ross's Case.

160. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether, in the present Van Ross-Poti case, they propose to meet the cost of Mr. Van Ross?

(*b*) If so, what are the reasons for doing so?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Government have engaged a vakil to conduct the prosecution.

(*b*) The member's attention is invited to Circular No J. 835, dated the 16th February, 1910 (*vide* page 75, Vol. III, *Land Revenue Manual*).

Revenue under Customs Duty.

161. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a statement showing the revenue of the State under customs duty in 1096, 1097 and 1098?

(*b*) What was the amount received by them during these years from the British Government under the Interportal Trade Convention?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The statement asked for is given below:—

1096	Rs. 23,30,284.
1097	Rs. 26,83,881.
1098	Rs. 25,23,964.

The above amounts include the compensation received from the British Government under the Interportal Trade Convention for the years in question.

(*b*) 1096	Rs. 38,692.
1097	Rs. 36,658.
1098	Rs. 10,543.

Sale of Liquor after 8 P. M.

162. MR. T. KUMARA PILLAI (*Eraniel* cum *Vilavankod*): With reference to the answer to question No. 49 asked on the 18th Karkatakam, 1098, will the Government be pleased to state whether the Excise Inspector referred to therein was punished, and, if so, what was the punishment?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The Excise Inspector was fined Rs. 5 and warned.

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